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TITLE OF INVENTION: SITE DEPENDENT BUDDY LIST ADDITION FOR TEMPORARY PTT COMMUNICATION

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DETAILED ACTION

Notice of Allowability

Claims 7-9 and 16-18 have been cancelled.

Claims 1-6 and 10-15 are allowed.

The following is an Examiner's statement for reasons for allowance.

Consider claim 1, the best prior art of record found during the examination of the present application, Westman (US 2004/0082351 A1) in view of Gourraud et al (US 2004/0249949 A1)., fail to specifically disclose a method of creating a temporary site dependent push-totalk/media (PTT/M) group for allowing PTT/M communications among a visiting PTT/M equipped mobile device and site based PTT/M equipped devices while the visiting PTT/M equipped mobile device is on-site wherein the PTT/M equipped devices operate on one or more inter-communicable PTT/M networks, the method comprising: detecting when a visiting PTT/M equipped mobile device is physically located on-site; registering the visiting PTT/M equipped mobile device with the site based PTT/M equipped devices and the site based PTT/M equipped devices with the visiting PTT/M equipped mobile device such that normal group PTT/M communications can take place, the registering comprising: automatically associating a predefined timeout period with the visiting PTT/M equipped mobile device; on a site based PTT/M equipped devices PTT/M network server, adding the visiting PTT/M equipped mobile device ID; and on a visiting PTT/M equipped mobile device PTT/M network server, adding site based PTT/M equipped device IDs; detecting when a visiting PTT/M equipped mobile device goes offsite; de-registering the visiting PTT/M equipped mobile device with the site based PTT/M

equipped devices and the site based PTT/M equipped devices with the visiting PTT/M equipped mobile device when the PTT/M equipped mobile device goes off-site, the de-registering comprising: on the site based PTT/M equipped devices PTT/M network server, removing the visiting PTT/M equipped mobile device ID; and on the visiting PTT/M equipped mobile device PTT/M network server, removing the site based PTT/M equipped device IDs; wherein two-way PTT/M communications are allowed among the visiting PTT/M equipped mobile device and the site based PTT/M equipped devices while the visiting PTT/M equipped mobile device is physically on-site, and wherein the visiting PTT/M equipped mobile device will be de-registered after the pre-defined timeout period when it cannot be detected when the visiting PTT/M equipped mobile device has gone off-site.

Claims 2-6 are allowable because they are dependent upon claim 1.

Consider **claim 10**, the best prior art of record found during the examination of the present application, **Westman (US 2004/0082351 A1) in view of Gourraud et al (US 2004/0249949 A1).**, fail to specifically disclose a system for creating a temporary site dependent push-to- talk/media (PTT/M) group for allowing PTT/M communications among a visiting PTT/M equipped mobile device and site based PTT/M equipped devices while the visiting PTT/M equipped mobile device is on-site wherein the PTT/M equipped devices operate on one or more inter-communicable PTT/M networks, the method comprising: first discovery means for detecting when a visiting PTT/M equipped mobile device is physically located on-site; registration means for registering the visiting PTT/M equipped mobile device with the site based PTT/M equipped devices with the visiting PTT/M

equipped mobile device such that normal group PTT/M communications can take place, the registering comprising: automatically associating a pre-defined timeout period with the visiting PTT/M equipped mobile device; on a site based PTT/M equipped devices PTT/M network server, adding the visiting PTT/M equipped mobile device ID; and on a visiting PTT/M equipped mobile device PTT/M network server, adding site based PTT/M equipped device IDs; second discovery means for detecting when a visiting PTT/M equipped mobile device goes off-site; deregistration means for de-registering the visiting PTT/M equipped mobile device with the site based PTT/M equipped devices and the site based PTT/M equipped devices with the visiting PTT/M equipped mobile device when the PTT/M equipped mobile device goes off-site, the deregistering comprising: on the site based PTT/M equipped devices PTT/M network server, removing the visiting PTT/M equipped mobile device ID; and on the visiting PTT/M equipped mobile device PTT/M network server, removing the site based PTT/M equipped device IDs; wherein two-way PTT/M communications are allowed among the visiting PTT/M equipped mobile device and the site based PTT/M equipped devices while the visiting PTT/M equipped mobile device is physically on-site; and wherein the visiting PTT/M equipped mobile device is automatically de-registered after the pre-defined timeout period if it cannot be detected when the visiting PTT/M equipped mobile device has gone off-site.

Claims 11-15 are allowable because they are dependent upon claim 10.

These teachings clearly differ from the claimed invention; therefore, claims 1-6 and 10-15 of the present application are considered novel and nonobvious over the prior art and, consequently, are allowed.

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Conclusion

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